## BEAVERCREEK CITY COUNCIL VIRTUAL COUNCIL WORK SESSION, April 20, 2020 5:00 p.m.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stone called the meeting to order followed by roll call

PRESENT: Council Member Bales, Council Member Curran, Council Member Garcia, Council Member Schwartz, Vice Mayor Adams, Mayor Stone

ABSENT: None

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Randy Burkett, City Planner; Dennis Evers, Chief of Police; Bill Kucera, Financial Administrative Services Director; Pete Landrum, City Manager; Steve McHugh, Legal Counsel; Dianne Miscisin, Clerk of Council; Mike Thonnerieux, Public Administrative Services Director

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council Member Garcia amended the agenda by changing Council Committee/Event Updates to Council Time, seconded by Vice Mayor Adams. Motion PASSED by majority voice vote.

Council Member Curran MOVED to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Council Member Garcia. Motion PASSED by majority voice vote.

# DISCUSSION ITEMS COVID-19 Updates

Mr. Landrum said essential personnel had reported to work today. They are looking at city revenues and the impacts of the revenue reductions which include local government fund, hotel/motel tax and gas tax. He said there is a hiring freeze and a freeze on capital improvements and projects. He reviewed current projects there were already in progress including the resurfacing project. He said the city has furloughed five employees at this point.

Chief Evers said the police have instituted protocols regarding the virus. Calls were down but were seeing an increase in attempted suicides and domestic violence. He said Safety Town had been canceled. CALEA would be held virtually.

Mr. Burkett said he couldn't be happier with his staff over the last few weeks. 60 inspections have been completed for zoning. He said they have been issuing warnings instead of the normal protocols for zoning violations. High grass will receive the normal violation process because of health issues. He said 90% of the permit applications and payments have been completed online rather than in person.

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Mr. Thonnerieux thanked the City Manager for his leadership and council's support during this crisis. He said they are continuing city services while keeping the distancing. The Shakertown Road project is progressing along with continuing with some of the other projects that were already in the works. He said staff has expressed the support they have received from council.

Mr. Kucera said they have already worked on the potential reductions that would be coming. He said the state may cut back on the local government funds that would normally be received. He said the hotel/motel tax has been greatly reduced. The city has filed with the Ohio EMA for COVID support.

Mayor Stone thanked the City Manager and the department heads for all their hard work.

Vice Mayor Stone thanked everyone as well.

The rest of council expressed their appreciation for everyone's hard work during these trying times.

#### **Alternative Revenue Income Tax**

Mr. Landrum reviewed alternative timelines for placing the income tax on the ballot. He said this was resident led and they understand the circumstances. Mr. Kucera said these timelines were worst case scenarios. He discussed the 3.4 mil street levy renewal if the income tax did not move forward. This was planned to roll off if passage of the income tax was successful. There was discussion regarding the timelines and the issues with educating the community.

#### **COUNCIL TIME**

Council discussed what they have been observing throughout the city and support that has been received.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Council Member Curran MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 6:12 p.m., seconded by Council Member Schwartz. Motion PASSED by majority voice vote.

Bob Stone, Mayor

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ATTEST:

Dianne Miscisin Clerk of Council Cmin04202020WorkSession